

COUNTY OF PLACER AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION

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Rich Ferreira — Citrus John Nitta - Nursery
Patricia Beard - Stewart Perry — Ag
Larry Jordan - Timber Jim Brenner — Fruit &
Wayne Vineyard — William Morebeck —

Patrick Bollinger – Foothill Farms

MEETING MINUTES

Monday, January 8, 2018

Placer County Planning Commission Hearing Room

3091 County Center Drive, Auburn, CA

County Contact: Joshua Huntsinger

Members Present: Patricia Beard, Patrick Bollinger, James Brenner, Rich Ferreira,

John Nitta, Stewart Perry, Wayne Vineyard

Members Absent: Larry Jordan, William Morebeck

I. CALL TO ORDER – 7:00 pm by Wayne Vineyard

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA FOR, FEBRUARY 5, 2018 AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JANUARY 8, 2018. Motion to approve: Perry / Ferreira / MPUV

III. PUBLIC COMMENT -

Steve Pilz of Farm Bureau acknowledged and thanked Lara Lopez for the work she is doing to reconnect the agricultural community. He then passed out tickets to the annual dinner.

IV. INFORMATION ITEM:

Placer County Air Pollution Control District Update – Erik White – District Director

Erik presented information on the Air Pollution Control District's work in regard to the agricultural community. Data presented showed details of programs and their improvements made to Placer County air quality. Included in the presentation were details on the department, burn regulations and improvements to air quality over time, agricultural engine requirements, cannabis updates for burning, nuisance odors, and stationary engines, as well as clarification of the aboveground gasoline storage tank permits and when they are required.

Also included were details on the Clean Air Grant – a program offering financial assistance to the Agriculture community to help upgrade equipment to newer, less polluting engines.

V. REPORTS

A. Agricultural Marketing Program – Ed King, Deputy Commissioner / Sealer Nothing new this month

- B. Economic Development Board Lyndell Grey
 - Absent

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C. Livestock and Natural Resources Farm Advisor – Dan Macon

Dan spoke about January and February rain, temperatures and snowpack. He offered soil moisture pamphlets – available at the Farm Advisor, then updated the commission of upcoming classes through May 2018.

- **D.** Horticulture and Small Farms Advisor Cindy Fake
 - Absent
- E. Water Supply Update Ed King, Deputy Commissioner
 - Ed King shared written reports from NID (summarized below.) No report from PCWA this month.
 - NID Report: As of 1/31/18, Storage = 232,800 AF (86% of capacity; 141% of average for this date), Precipitation at Bowman = 36.28" (96% of average), Feb 1 snow survey = 6.8" water content (33% of average)
 Above average storage will buffer impacts if conditions remain dry. NID is operating very conservatively to retain as much water as possible in storage and encourage customers to make conservation a way of life
- VI. AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS Ed King, Deputy Commissioner Nothing to report.
- VII. ADJOURNMENT- 8:02 p.m.

Next meeting March 12, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.